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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$5,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WARD, Esq.
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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital \$500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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D. Gillies, Esq., Chow Tung Sang, Esq.,
H. Stoller, Esq., Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,
Chan Kiu Shan, Esq.,
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [7]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL \$1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED \$1,250,000
PAID-UP \$625,000

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DEPOSITS RETURNED ON OLD TERMS.
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [8]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS \$800,000
RESERVE FUND \$350,000

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Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [53]

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Intimations.

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SNOWDON, SONS & Co. "SNOWDRIFT" MANT.
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MONTHLY RATES FOR
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Breakfast \$12.00
Dinner 15.00
Dinner 20.00
ALL 3 MEALS 42.50

THE CLUB HOTEL, 5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

HOTEL METROPOLE, 1, TSUKUJI, TOKYO.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervi-
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Intimations.

\$1,000 ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS \$1,000

INSURE YOUR LIFE AGAINST FATAL ACCIDENT
BY SUBSCRIBING
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THE SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY WILL PAY
THE SUM OF
\$1,000 MEXICAN,

to the legal representatives of the European holder of this COUPON in the event of his death by
Accident on or before the 31st March 1896 while on land within the confines of HONGKONG
or any Treaty Ports of CHINA or JAPAN, or the immediate neighbourhood thereof, provided that
the Name and Address of the said holder appears in the List of European Subscribers to the
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as furnished to the Company for the Three Months ending 31st March 1896; that the
premium thereon has been duly paid; that death takes place within One Month from the
occurrence of the Accident, and that notice of death, with full particulars, is sent within fourteen
days of its happening to Mr. J. Y. V. VERNON, Hongkong. It being declared that \$1,000 only
will be paid in respect of any one death.
*This premium is paid quarterly in advance by
the Proprietors of The Hongkong Telegraph.

J. Y. V. VERNON,
AGENT.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1896. [50]

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY,

Nos. 11, 13 and 15 Central Market.

PRIME BEEF and MUTTON.
CORNED BEEF and TONGUES.
AUSTRALIAN PICKLED HOG'S TONGUES.
AMERICAN BUTTER in Rolls and Pats.
GAME, &c., &c.

RE SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

J. TATAM,
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1895. [49]

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & CO'S CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 2 doz. plants \$35 per case.
do 1 " quarts \$33 "

SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1895. [13]

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

15, QUEEN'S ROAD.

CHAMPAGNES, HOCKS, RUM,
SHERRIES, MOSSELLES, GINS,
PORTS, WHITE WINE, LIQUEURS,
CLARETS, BRANDIES, BITTERS,
BURGUNDIES, WHISKIES, ALES & STOUTS.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1895. [3]

Insurances.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1884.

CAPITAL \$2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY \$430,053
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM \$757,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of this
above Company we are prepared to
accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896. [59]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34]

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. C. BEURMANN has This Day been
admitted a Partner in our Firm in
HONGKONG and CHINA.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1895. [185]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY
of the Late DAVID MONCRIEFF
WRIGHT in the Firm of D. MONCRIEFF
WRIGHT ceased on the 31st day of December,
1894, since which date the Firm has been
carried on by ROBERT JOHN HASTINGS
upon his own account.

THE Late ROBERT JOHN HASTINGS will
continue to carry on the Business of the late
Firm from the 1st day of January, 1896, under
the Name of D. M. WRIGHT & Co.

Taiwan, 31st December, 1895. [82]

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that
Mr. ALFRED F. O. KRAUSS
and
Mr. PHILIPP BERNHARD
SCHMACKER
retired from our Firm on the 31st December,
1895, and that

Mr. FRIEDRICH CARL PAUL
SACHSE
Mr. CHARLES ERNEST
RAYNER
and
Mr. GUSTAV ADOLPH DEGENER
BÖNING
have To-day been admitted Partners.

CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, Hamburg & China,
1st January, 1896. [54]

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned beg to notify the
Public that our Business Manager
AH YON has This Day Resigned and that
our Managing Partner CHUN WING TONG
will conduct our Business as CHARTERERS,
COAL and TEA MERCHANTS, SHIP CONTRA-
DORES and STORE-KEEPERS as heretofore.

WING CHEUNG & Co.,
No. 44, Praya Central.

CHUN WING TONG,
Managing Partner.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1896. [64]

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED AND REDUCED.

SUNDAY EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Steamer "HONAM" (Weather
Permitting) will make a Special Cheap
Excursion Trip to MACAO TO-MORROW,
the 12th Instant.

Hours of departure:—From HONGKONG
at 9 A.M. and returning will leave MACAO at
10 P.M.

A Fancy Fair is announced to commence
at 1 P.M.

Fare there and back \$2. No Single or
Second Class fares.

TICKETS obtainable at the COMPANY'S
Office or on board the Steamer before she
leaves.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [105]

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the
above COMPANY will be held at the REGISTERED
OFFICES of the COMPANY, 48 and 49, Queen's
Road Central, on MONDAY, the 20th day of
January, at NOON, for the purpose of Receiving
the Report of the General Managers, together
with a Statement of Accounts for the year
ending 30th November, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 14th to 21st Instant,
both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [103]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH
ORDINARY MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in this COMPANY will be held at
the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings,
on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1896, at
12 o'clock (NOON), for the purpose of Receiving
the Report of the Directors, together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1895.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company
will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY the 15th
to THURSDAY the 23rd January, 1896, (both
days inclusive), during which period no Transfer
of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [104]

MUNICIPALITE FRANCAISE DE SHAMEN.

ELECTION D'UN CONSEILLER MUNICIPAL.

UNE election pour la nomination d'un
Conseiller Francais en remplacement
de M. DUFETRE, Conseiller sortant, aura lieu
le dimanche 19 Janvier, 1896, au Consulat de
France.

Le scrutin sera ouvert de 10 heures de matin
à 4 heures du soir. La liste electorale, deposee
a la Chancellerie du Consulat, sera mise a la
disposition des electeurs a partir du 14 Janvier
et close le 18, a 4 heures du soir. Les demandes
d'inscription ou de radiation devront etre adres-
sees, avant cette date, au Consulat.

Le Consol de France,
C. IMBAULT HUART.

A MASONIC BALL, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA.

WILL BE HELD AT THE
CITY HALL,
ON
MONDAY, 17th FEBRUARY, 1896.

Intending Subscribers will find Lists at
THE HONGKONG CLUB,
THE HONGKONG HOTEL,
THE VICTORIA HOTEL,
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Messrs. CAMPBELL & MOORE,
" FALCONER & Co.,
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" A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. [117]

MUSIC LESSONS.

MR. NATH. RUCHWALDY is again
prepared to take PUPILS for PIANO,
MANDOLIN, GUITAR and BANJO at his
usual Terms.

Address,
No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, 6th January, 1896. [86]

JUST LANDED FRENCH CONFECTIONERY.

Comprising—
Crystallized Fruits, Baked Almonds,
Cocoilles, Almonds Flots,
Cacicolles, Marzipan Almonds,
&c., &c.

CADURY'S CHOCOLATE CREMES—
Vanilla Creams, Honey Creams, Caramels,
Nougat Plaisance, Pineapple Chocolate,
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Plush Bags, Plush Boxes and Fancy Boxes,
&c., &c.

"TANSAN," the New Japanese Table-Water
which contains 8 per cent. more iron carbonate
than that from any other Chalybeate Spring.

FLETCHER & Co.,
"THE PHARMACY,"
23, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 10th October, 1895. [45]

MEE CHEUNG, PHOTOGRAPHER.

Top Floor of Ice House, in
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IS now in a position, in his New and Com-
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GROUPS AND VIEWS
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Intimations.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

INSURE YOUR LIFE AGAINST FATAL ACCIDENT BY SUBSCRIBING TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

THE SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY WILL PAY THE SUM OF \$1,000 MEXICAN,

to the legal representatives of the European holder of this COUPON in the event of his death by Accident on or before the 31st March 1896 while on land within the confines of HONGKONG or any Treaty Ports of CHINA or JAPAN, or the immediate neighbourhood thereof, provided that the Name and Address of the said holder appears in the List of European Subscribers to the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"

as furnished to the Company for the Three Months ending 31st March 1896; that the premium thereon has been duly paid; that death takes place within One Month from the occurrence of the Accident, and that notice of death, with full particulars, is sent within fourteen days of its happening to Mr. J. Y. V. VERNON, Hongkong: It being declared that \$1,000 only will be paid in respect of any one death.

*This premium is paid quarterly in advance by the Proprietors of The Hongkong Telegraph.

J. Y. V. VERNON, AGENT.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1896. [50]

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY.

Nos. 11, 13 and 15 Central Market.

PRIME BEEF and MUTTON.
CORNED BEEF and TONGUES.
AUSTRALIAN PICKLED HOG'S TONGUES.
AMERICAN BUTTER in Rolls and Pats.
GAME, &c., &c.

SHIP AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

J. TATAM,
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1895. [49]

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & CO'S CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 2 doz. plants\$35 per case.
do 1 " quarts\$33 "

SHEWAN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1895. [33]

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
15, QUEEN'S ROAD.

CHAMPAGNES, HOCKS, RUM,
SHERRIES, MOSSELLES, GINS,
PORTS, WHITE WINE, LIQUEURS,
CLARETS, BRANDIES, BITTERS,
BURGUNDIES, WHISKIES, ALES & STOUTS.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1895. [3]

Insurances.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1814.
CAPITAL\$2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITIES\$2,480,053
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUMS\$757,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN AND CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896. [59]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN AND CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34]

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

M. C. BEURMANN has This Day been admitted a Partner in our FIRM in HONGKONG and CHINA.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1895. [185]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of the Late DAVID MONCRIEFF WRIGHT in the Firm of D. MONCRIEFF WRIGHT Cessing on the 31st day of December, 1894, since which date the Firm has been carried on by ROBERT JOHN HASTINGS upon his own account.

The said ROBERT JOHN HASTINGS will continue to carry on the Business of the late Firm from the 1st day of January, 1896, under the Name of D. M. WRIGHT & Co.

Taiwan, 31st December, 1895. [81]

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. ALFRED F. O. KRAUSS and Mr. PHILIPP BERNHARD SCHMACKER retired from our FIRM on the 31st December, 1895, and that

Mr. FRIEDRICH CARL PAUL SACHSE, Mr. CHARLES ERNEST RAYNER, Mr. GUSTAV ADOLPH DEGENER, BÖNING have To-day been admitted Partners.

CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, Hamburg & China, 1st January, 1896. [54]

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned beg to notify the PUBLIC that our Business, Manager AH YON has This Day Resigned and that our Managing Partner CHUN WING TONG will conduct our Business as CHARTERERS, COAL and TEA MERCHANTS, SHIP COMPANIES and STORE-KEEPERS as heretofore.

WING CHEONG & Co., No. 44, Praya Central, CHUN WING TONG, Managing Partner.

HEAD OFFICE, 5 & 6, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [49]

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY LIMITED AND REDUCED.

SUNDAY EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Steamer "HONAM" (Weather Permitting) will make a Special Cheap Excursion Trip to MACAO TO-MORROW, the 12th Instant.

Hours of departure:—From HONGKONG at 9 A.M.; and returning will leave MACAO at 10 P.M.

A FANCY FAIR is announced to commence at 1 P.M.

Fare there and back \$2. No Single or Second Class fares.

TICKETS obtainable at the COMPANY'S Office or on board the Steamer before she leaves.

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [103]

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above COMPANY will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, 23 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 20th day of January, at NOON, for the purpose of Receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to 21st instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [103]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1896, at 12 o'clock (NOON), for the purpose of Receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1895.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY the 15th to THURSDAY the 23rd January, 1896, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [104]

MUNICIPALITE FRANCAISE DE SHAMEN.

ELECTION D'UN CONSEILLER MUNICIPAL.

UNE election pour la nomination d'un Conseiller Francais, en remplacement de M. DUFRETE, Conseiller sortant, aura lieu le dimanche 19 Janvier, 1896, au Consulat de France.

Le scrutin sera ouvert de 10 heures de matin à 4 heures du soir. La liste electorale, déposée à la Chancellerie du Consulat, sera mise à la disposition des electeurs à partir du 14 Janvier et close le 18, à 4 heures du soir. Les demandes d'inscription ou de radiation devront être adressées, avant cette dernière date, au Consulat.

Le Consul de France,
C. IMBAULT HUART.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [105]

A MASONIC BALL.

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA, WILL BE HELD AT THE CITY HALL, ON

MONDAY, 17th FEBRUARY, 1896.

Intending Subscribers will find Lists at THE HONGKONG CLUB, THE HONGKONG HOTEL, THE VICTORIA HOTEL, THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS, Messrs. CAMPBELL & MOORE, FALCONER & Co., KELLIE & WALSH, LANE & LAWRENCE & Co., A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. [117]

MUSIC LESSONS.

MR. NATH. RUCHWALDY is again prepared to take PUPILS for PIANO, MANOLIN, GUITAR and BANJO at his usual Terms.

Address,
No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, 6th January, 1896. [66]

JUST LANDED FRENCH CONFECTIONERY.

Comprising—
Crystallized Fruits, Baked Almonds, Cocolines, Almonds Fines, Apricotines, Macarize Almonds, &c., &c.

CADREY'S CHOCOLATE CREMES—Vanilla Cremes, Honey Cremes, Caramel, Nougat Pistache, Pineapple Chocolate, Chocolate Walnut, Marshmallows, &c., &c.

"TANSAN" the New Japanese Table-Water which contains 8 per cent more iron carbonate than that from any other Chalybeate Spring.

FLETCHER & Co., "THE PHARMACY," 23, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 10th October, 1895. [48]

MEE CHEUNG PHOTOGRAPH.

TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN LA-HOON ROAD.

Is now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse all competitors in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.

GROUPS AND VIEWS a specialty.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1894. [149]

PROSPECTUS OF OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE ORDINANCES OF HONGKONG 1865 to 1891, BY WHICH THE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS IS LIMITED TO THE AMOUNT OF THEIR SHARES.

GENERAL MANAGERS:
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.

CAPITAL.....\$300,000
DIVIDED INTO 15,000 "A" OR VENDORS' SHARES AND 45,000 "B" OR ORDINARY SHARES OF \$5 EACH.
(OF WHICH 10,750 "A" SHARES AND 5,000 "B" SHARES HAVE BEEN ALLOTTED AND 1,250 "A" SHARES AND 25,000 "B" SHARES ARE NOW OFFERED FOR SUBSCRIPTION.)

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION FOR "B" SHARES (\$1.00 PER SHARE ON APPLICATION, \$1.50 PER SHARE ON ALLOTMENT.)

The balance at call in instalments. Two months' notice to be given in respect of each instalment called up.
Any person may apply for 1 "A" share for every 20 "B" shares applied for by him. The "A" shares are payable, \$1 on application and the balance, \$4, on allotment.
Application for Shares accompanied by a deposit of \$1 per Share must be sent in to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION at its Head Office or at any of its branches on or before the 15th day of January, 1896.
For forms of application apply in Hongkong to JOHN D. HUMPHREYS and SON, General Managers, or to A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED, at Canton, Foochow, and Shanghai.
The Company was formed to acquire and has purchased the Olivers 100 Acre Freehold and other properties adjacent thereto belonging to the Vendors with the Machinery, Stamps, &c., thereon for the price of \$50,000, which has been paid and satisfied by the allotment to the Vendors of 10,000 fully paid "A" or Vendors' Shares, and has also purchased the Eureka Mine and the plant and machinery connected therewith situate 10,000 fully paid "A" or Vendors' Shares for the price of \$35,000 which as to \$10,000 has been paid and satisfied by the allotment to the Vendors of 2,000 fully paid "A" or Vendors' shares and as to \$25,000 the balance is payable in cash.
All shares participate equally up to 25 per cent. per annum yearly dividend on the amount paid-up on each share, but all profits in excess are divided equally between the holders of "A" Shares and "B" Shares.
It is not contemplated at present to issue any more shares, but should it become desirable to develop the property on a larger scale the General Managers will propose to the Shareholders that the balance of shares, viz., 15,000 "B" Shares or such part thereof as may be thought advisable be issued.

The following is the Report on the property made by Mr. J. D. HUMPHREYS:—
I arrived in Sydney on Saturday, the 13th July last, where I met by appointment Mr. CHARLES WILLIAMS, a mining expert from Victoria. Mr. WILLIAMS has been personally known to me since 1854; I have absolute confidence in his integrity, skill, and judgment. We left Sydney together on Tuesday, the 16th July, and arrived at Mount McDonald on the day following, and commenced our inspection the same afternoon.
The Freehold consists of 100 acres of auriferous land in the form of a direct square, each side of which measures 2,087 ft. 6 in., or 655 yards, a feet, 6 inches.
The position is to the West of the Eureka Gold Mine, and extends at right angles from its own Eastern Boundary in a Westerly direction, across a creek or water course to the opposite range of hills, on the Northern slope of which the greater part of its area lies. The water course which runs through the Freehold divides two ranges of auriferous hills, and finally empties itself into the River Lachlan, about three miles to the South of the dam of the reservoir which supplies the battery belonging to the property, situated at Mount McDonald in the district of Carcoar in the province of Bathurst, New South Wales.
The Battery itself is to the West of the reservoir, and consequently on the Western side of the creek near the Southern boundary of the property, and its site was selected with excellent judgment as quartz can be carted to it or trollyed to it not only from all parts of the Freehold itself but from all the workings in the neighbourhood at little cost. The Machine house, moreover, being close to its water supply, involves no waste of power in feeding the boilers.
The Water Supply consists of a reservoir formed by a dam across the creek, and is fed by a watershed of considerable extent embraced by the surrounding hills, and I was informed by men who have been working on the ground for years that the supply never failed in the driest season, and from which I inferred that the rainfall is supplemented by subsoil drainage and springs. For fuel there is abundance of good timber in the vicinity.
The Machinery we found to be of the best description and comprises a first-class engine and two good boilers. There are 4 batteries of 5 head of stamps capable of crushing about 20 tons a day in all, as well as 3 pans, shaking tables, and all necessary machinery for extracting from the ore the greatest amount of gold it will yield to take out.
The inspection of the rest of the Freehold was greatly facilitated by the whole of the scrub having been cut down before we arrived, so the estate was laid bare and could be viewed from a convenient spot on the hill from end to end.
A party of Tributors, at work on the Freehold not far from the battery, was raising ore which yielded over 2 ozs. to the ton at each crushing. The men informed me that they discovered the reef on the surface in walking over the hill after rain, by observing gold in quartz at the bottom of a cast run which had been washed clean by the water flowing through it.
The old workings are of the most primitive description, having evidently been made by alluvial miners unaccustomed to quartz. The reefs were worked from the surface down without timbering, until it became dangerous to go deeper. None of these workings were any depth, and the numerous finds of gold were all found near the surface. That much of the quartz must have been very rich is certain, for it is said about 100 ozs. of gold a month were obtained by the owners of the battery at the time from crushing and washing the tailings. One working not far from the battery yielded 10 ozs. of gold to the ton, and £700 worth of gold was taken out of a hole a few feet deep just below the dam.
It is seen by examining the old workings which still exist that they were mined by men unaccustomed to cope with quartz mining difficulties. The work is of the crudest description and it is evident that as soon as water was reached in sufficient quantity to require machinery, or because the earth began to fall in or become dangerous through being untimbered, the mines were abandoned. This part of the district was, moreover, at the time infested by bands of desperate bushrangers who rendered residence there very undesirable. It was a long time before the Government was able to hunt them down, owing to the nature of the country.
Undoubtedly large deposits of gold, and probably exceptionally rich deposits, will be found when these reefs, which proved so good on the surface, are worked to a depth by quartz mining experts under honest and experienced management, backed by sufficient capital. The ground is already prospected; it is well known where the gold has been got near the surface, and it is only necessary to sink properly timbered shafts and get below these old workings and work up. Some of these shafts will require pumping gear.
As far as I know, it has never been heard of that quartz reefs rich in gold near the surface failed to yield good results at a greater depth. Such reefs have been profitably worked on Bendigo and other places to a depth of close on 3,000 feet, and are still at work after 40 years. Given sufficient capital economically administered or expended, as it would be in any other business expected to pay, I am of opinion that better results will be obtained from the working of Olivers Freehold Mines than are obtained by 99 out of 100 of the Gold Companies floated in London and elsewhere. Eureka Mine lies on the Eastern boundary of Olivers Freehold and consists of several Gold Mining Leases lying between the Queen Mine on the North and the Great Eastern Mine on the South. It will be seen by reference to the map that to the South of the Great Eastern Mine three lots lying on either side of the creek which runs through the Freehold and discharges itself into the Lachlan River have been secured, thus giving to the Company a magnificent water supply.
The new shaft of the Eureka has been sunk to a depth of 85 feet. The old workings before the miners were flooded out yielded to a depth of 140 feet not less than 1 oz. of Gold per ton, with occasional better results. This is recorded in the Government Reports.
It is in this mine that the Company's operations will commence by deepening the new shaft by about 120 feet. This shaft has been properly timbered as far as it goes and is surrounded by poppet heads in the vicinity of which is a machine house with necessary winding and pumping gear for freeing the mine from water. All were in good order and fit to commence work when inspected.
The further sinking of the shaft is not through difficult ground and the cost of labour and properly timbering will be only about £5 per foot. When deepened, sufficient tunnels will be driven to the North and South and the reef will be worked upwards, which is the most economical plan. The amount of water to be dealt with of course increases the cost of mining and renders it impossible for ordinary working miners to develop such properties on their own account, but it is not disadvantageous for those having means in a country subject to drought.

One of the drawbacks to the development of mining in the district has been that there was no proper accommodation for miners of the better class with their wives and families, and it is proposed to build a few comfortable cottages to induce this class of men to settle on the property. The operations of the Company will at first be limited to deepening the Eureka new shaft and driving tunnels through the reef. It is confidently anticipated that this mine being taken over in a working condition will pay expenses from an early date and within a short time win good results. A map of the mines is attached and also a map of New South Wales showing Railways and the direction of the Reefs running through the property with the position marked of some of the principal mines:—

- Via:—No. 1.—Ophir—where Gold was first discovered in Australia.
No. 2.—Lucknow—The Wentworth Proprietary Company, £500,000 Capital.
No. 3.—Mount McDonald—Olivers Freehold Mines including Eureka.
No. 4.—Adelong—Gibraltar Gold Mining Company floated in London, October 1895; Capital £300,000 fully subscribed.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
GENERAL MANAGERS,
HONGKONG.

Today's Advertisements.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Steamship
"CHIHIL" Captain Anderson, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 13th instant, at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [111]
CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Steamship
"SUNGKIANG," Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [122]
FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Steamship
"LYEEMOON," Captain G. Heermann, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [126]

THOMAS' GRILL ROOMS,
No. 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
THE most Liberal and Cheapest menu in the FAR EAST.
BREAKFAST, Tiffin and Dinner by Monthly contract.
Tenders for BANQUETS and BALL SUPPERS on application.
PICNIC and SHOOTING PARTIES Supplied on the shortest notice—A Specialty.
For further Particulars, Address:—
THE MANAGER.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [126]
"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"GLENFARG," Captain Selby, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 15th instant, instead of as previously notified.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [129]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
IN BANKRUPTCY.
No. 21 OF 1895.
IN THE MATTER OF THE CHU SHING SHIP, LATELY CARRYING ON BUSINESS AT NO. 170, WING LOK STREET, AS RICE DEALERS.
NOTICE is hereby given that a Receiver Order dated the 3rd day of January, 1896, has been made in respect of the Estate of the CHU SHING SHIP, lately carrying on business at No. 170, Wing Lok Street, Victoria, Hongkong, as RICE DEALERS.
And Notice is hereby further given that FRIDAY, the 17th day of January, 1896, at 12 o'clock NOON precisely, has been fixed for the FIRST GENERAL MEETING OF CREDITORS to be held at the LAND OFFICE, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid.
No Creditor can vote unless he previously proves his Debt.
Forms of Proof and Proxy can be obtained at the OFFICE of the OFFICIAL RECEIVER during Office hours.
At the First General Meeting the Creditors will be asked to consider whether the Debet shall be adjudged Bankrupt or whether they shall be asked to consider a proposal for a Composition or Scheme of Arrangement.
ARATON SETH, Official Receiver.
Land Office, Hongkong, 11th day of January, 1896. [134]

Intimations.

"HOW IT'S DONE."

TO MANY IT IS A PUZZLE HOW WE CAN SELL AT A CHEAPER RATE THAN OTHERS.

THE ANSWER IS VERY SIMPLE.

REGULAR QUALITY.

POPULAR PRICES.

PEACH-BLOSSOM SOAP.

WATKINS & CO.,

APOTHECARIES' HALL, 66, Queen's Road Central, HONGKONG.

Today's Advertisements.

HONGKONG SMOKING CONCERT CLUB.

A CONCERT will be given THIS EVENING, the 11th instant, at 9.15 P.M. Commander TUNNARD is the Chalk.
J. A. LOWSON.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [97]

HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY will be held at its REGISTERED OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the 28th day of January instant, at 12 NOON, when the Subjoined Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 11th of January last, will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution, viz:—

"That the HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, be wound up voluntarily under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1890, and that CRASBY EWENS of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up."

Dated the 11th day of January, 1896.
W. A. DUFF, Secretary.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

CORPS ORDERS FOR WEEK ENDING 18TH JANUARY, 1896.

GENERAL.

No. 321.—CHURCH PARADE.—There will be a Church Parade Service at the UNION CHURCH on the 26th instant. Details as to dress, &c., will be published later.

FIELD BATTERY.

No. 322.—JOINED.—Gunner E. SHARP, dated 7.1.96 and assigned Corps No. 157, and posted to Detachment No. 2.
Gunner H. GIDLEY, dated 8.1.96 and assigned Corps No. 158, and posted to Detachment No. 4.
Boy N. E. BENNETT, dated 6.1.96, and appointed Signaller.

No. 323.—DRILL.—There will be 64-pr. Drill by Detachments as under:—

No. 1 Detachment 1 Monday and Wednesday, No. 2 Detachment from 5.40 P.M.
No. 3 Detachment Tuesday and Thursday, No. 4 Detachment from 5.30 P.M.
No. 5 Detachment Friday, from 5.30 P.M.
No. 6 Detachment Saturday, from 6 P.M.

Each Detachment will be drilled by its own No. 1 and Sub-Division Officers should endeavor to attend when their respective Sub-Divisions are drilling.

MUSKETRY INSTRUCTION.—There will be preliminary Musketry Instruction Parades at 9 P.M. on TUESDAY, 14th instant, and on FRIDAY, 17th instant. Uniform, Serge, Caps, Carabines and Side-arms. Transport will be provided to enable Dock Detachment to attend on FRIDAY.

No. 324.—RECRUITS' COURSE OF MUSKETRY.—SATURDAY, 18th instant.—Recruits' Course of Musketry at Police Range, Kowloon (any Member wishing to fire may do so). Muster HEADQUARTERS 4.15 P.M. sharp. Launch leave New Peddars' Wharf at 2.30 P.M. Free Ammunition.—Uniform, Khaki, Helmets, Carabines, Side-arms and Pouches.

No. 325.—SUB-DIVISION LISTS.—Gunner F. FISHER is transferred from No. 1 to No. 3 Detachment. Gunner T. NOLAN from No. 3 to No. 1 Detachment. Lists in possession of Officers and N.C.O.'s to be corrected accordingly.

No. 326.—SIGNALING.—Headquarters, MONDAY and WEDNESDAY, at 5 P.M. Plain Clothes.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

No. 327.—DUTIES.—For duty, Lieut. E. OSBORNE and Colour-Sergeant F. MATLAND.
No. 328.—GUN DRILL.—There will be Gun Drill on TUESDAY and FRIDAY, at 5.30 P.M. Plain Clothes.

NOTICE.

Applications from Gentlemen desirous of joining the Corps should be sent to VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS, when a copy of the Regulations, &c., will be sent, and any information afforded.

By Order,
L. A. C. GORDON,
Captain R.A.,
Adjutant, H.K.V.C.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [131]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"NAMO," Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARLAIR & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [135]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
THE Steamship

"TAIWAN," Captain Nelson, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 16th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1896. [134]

should be censured and removed from office. It seems almost impossible that this position can be successfully maintained by the Opposition. So far as is known the Ministry had no reason to suppose that other Powers would intervene to prevent Japan reaping the full fruits of her victory, and certainly no reason to believe that Russia would receive the full co-operation and support of France and Germany in enforcing her views. The actual results were beyond the contemplation of almost any statesman, however able, and the practical abandonment of some of the articles of the Shimonoseki Treaty is a misfortune common to the Ministry and the Japanese nation, for which no man in Japan, however elevated his position, and for which no body of men can be held responsible. It is believed that all the Government measures will be successfully passed, and that many of those who are trying to ensure the Ministry will patriotically support the Government in passing all measures essential to the public safety. Again we take leave to say that the Japanese as a whole are displaying an amount of common sense, sound judgment, and power of self-restraint which would do credit to any nation, however long its training under constitutional Government.

The firmer alliance between Japan and England is not possible except in an emergency and to attain some special and definite end. Great Britain will enter into no general alliances committing herself to any definite form of conduct in the future. The future is too uncertain. Diplomacy consists, as a Japanese writer pointed out to us the other day, in the study of the ever-varying current of events and in the adaptation of means and conduct to meet the ever-varying contingencies that arise. But far better than any alliance will be the mutual respect for each other and for each other's ideas and policy. It ought to exist and it ought to be cultivated almost as a matter of course between Japan and England. There are many points of similarity between them in their political and economical situation and in the future that is before us. They are both, from their position, maritime Powers, taking naturally to the sea, both are colonizing powers and both are manufacturers. Their possible enemies are the same. Every Englishman should do his best to cultivate and strengthen this friendship and good will between the oldest and the youngest of the states of the world, and every Englishman who fails to do so and allows himself to harbour any feeling of prejudice, dislike, or commercial jealousy, and runs down the Japanese and makes light of their friendship may be doing his country a serious injury.

What has become of the Hongkong branch of the China Association? We intend to ask the question in this column daily until we get an answer. It is certain that no meeting of the Association, as a body, has been called together since the last meeting of the Council, and that the members have not been asked their opinions on the Military Contribution question in its present phase. If the committee have considered the question and have taken action in support of the Unofficial Members of the Council, or have declined to do so, then the Association and the public ought to be made acquainted with what has taken place at the Committee meeting. What action has resulted, and the reason? The suppleness of the Hongkong branch of the China Association ever since its formation contrasts very unfavorably with the zeal, activity, and strength of the Straits Settlements Association, and even with the vigor and energy of the Shanghai branch. Some evil influence seems to have affected them, and they have done nothing yet to justify their existence.

Talking of contrasts, what a contrast there is between the ability and energy with which the late Governor of the Straits Settlements, Sir Cecil Clementi Smith, and his officials threw themselves into the contest with the Colonial Office against the Military Contribution, and the apathy and indifference—to use the mildest terms—of our Governor and our Officials on the same subject. Sir Cecil Clementi Smith and his officers made it manifest from the beginning to the end of the trouble that all their sympathies were with the colonists, lending them every assistance and only assisting the Colonial Office when the call of duty was so stringent that there was nothing for it but to obey. Most of our Officials have posed as the enemies of the colonists, as entirely opposed to them in opinion, as unsympathetic, and have even gone so far as to sneer at the efforts of the people to obtain any modification of the impost levied on them. The attitude of the officials generally on the question has been most unhappy.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

In Japan everything seems to be very quiet, the attention of officials and people being concentrated on the proceedings of the Diet, in which are being brought forward by the Ministry valuable bills for the reorganization of the Army and Navy and for their improvement and increase, and to the general consolidation of the affairs of the Empire in a manner suitable to its new position and responsibilities. The nation seems to have resigned itself to the loss of the Liaotung peninsula and of its position and influence in the Korea, sensibly recognizing its inability to do otherwise, but there is a large party who appear to be of opinion that the retrocession of Japanese influence from Korea might have been avoided by the exercise of greater skill, diligence and diplomatic ability on the part of the Ministry, and that for their failure to foresee and provide for the possible contingency of Western interference they

We have heard a curious report to the effect that the Government of Hongkong and the "Fung Shui" of the great city of Kowloon on the opposite mainland have come into violent collision, and that the Hongkong Government has fallen back defeated. At the sale by auction last year of the Kowloon quarry farms for 1895 a hill containing large quantities of stone, hitherto unworked, was designated as a site for a new quarry, being included in the farm. For the new and old quarries combined more than double the price was offered and accepted than could be obtained for the old quarries alone. The grant was made out and the new Farmer commenced his work of opening up the new ground. Tremendous excitement in Chinese Kowloon!! The "Fung Shui" of the city was threatened. Strong representations to the Hongkong Government graciously conceded the point to Kowloon, and gave notice to the farmer to stop his working. So non è vero è ben trovato!

BATAVIA NOTES.

The *Singapore Free Press* the 26th ultimo contains the following interesting items under the above heading:

There is a steady tendency to sugar; the East Java crop was sold at 7 1/2 per pikul for No. 15. Muscovado is offering at 7 1/2 per pikul.

As advised by telegraph, the following boats of the *Arden* have been picked up by the English ship *Yinchoa*, bound for Sourabaya. She reports all well on board.

The old established firm, Messrs. Burt, Myrtle, of Batavia, Semarang and Sourabaya, open a branch in Macassar on January 1st, under the management of Mr. H. O. Foster.

The well known antiquarian in the book-seller trade, Mr. F. H. Kroon, died on the 2nd instant, at the age of 73 years. He had been a book-seller in Batavia since 1844.

The latest Batavia market report gives the following quotations:—Coffee, steady in price at 4 1/2 per pikul. Pilonit tin 4 1/2 per pikul. Petroleum, 1 1/2 per case for Russian oil. The Standard Oil Co. of New York, are offering a cargo at 2 1/2 cts. in the roads. North Coast of Java. In sugar there are no late transactions.

In Sourabaya Devel's petroleum is quoted at 1 1/2 per case for cargoes and 1 1/2 for retail with Russian petroleum at 1 1/2 and 1 1/2 1/2 ditto.

Starling disclosures are still being made over the Bank note and bill forgery in Sourabaya. The latest and most important arrest has been that of Han Tjong Ling, well-known to European residents, as he is the Captain of the Chinese, and one of the richest of the nation in Java. The report of his arrest could not be believed by anybody, and caused a great sensation in the Chinese camp. A Chinese foreigner maker has also been arrested for having in his possession counterfeit Bank notes amounting to 250,000. In Han Tjong Ling's house there was a number of further discovered but a number of papers, the contents of which are not yet known.

However, a search of his out-houses and garden brought to light suspicious complicity. In the stables, covered with manure, was an old lithographic hand-press. If complete, it certainly could have been used in the manufacture of the counterfeit notes. This discovery was made at the instance of the stable boy Han Tjong Ling, immediately arrested, he received this from his friend Kwee Khe Soe, at whose request it was kept hidden. If this statement is true, this press must have been the one bought by Kwee Khe Soe from Messrs. Glimberg & Co. But it is supposed that this instrument could not have been used for counterfeiting five hundred and thousand guilder notes, but probably for notes of smaller values, that were found in circulation on previous occasions. In the river before Han Tjong Ling's house two lithographic plates were brought up by divers, and also some machinery belonging to the old press, which he asserts he cannot account for. A renewed search of the Captain's premises brought to light another lithographic stone press. His house and compound, as also that of his brothers, is kept closely under police surveillance. The general opinion in Sourabaya is that if Han Tjong Ling is guilty, there are certainly many Europeans also concerned in the matter. The Harbour Master and Customs Officers have received orders to take every precaution to prevent any escapes by sea. On the morning of the 17th instant it was expected that the houses of certain Europeans, who have been in close connection with these Chinese, would be searched. There are other Chinese in Sourabaya, who, with their families and servants, have been placed under police surveillance, but their complicity has yet to be proved.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Hongkong, January 11th.

Mr. Edith Georg in his *Weekly Share List* issued at noon to-day states:

Business during the week under review has been fairly active, and in most cases rates close fairly steady.

BANK SHARES.—A large line of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shares passed through locally at 18 1/2 per cent. premium, and some time transactions are also reported at 18 1/2 per cent. premium for delivery on 20th February, and at 19 per cent. premium for 31st March, but since the result of the past half-year (25 shillings dividend, \$20,000 to reserve and about \$300,000 carried forward) has become known, the market weakened, and speculators had expected a bonus, and the closing cash rate is 18 1/2 per cent. premium. The London rate is 4 1/2. There has been no business in either National or Bank of China and Japan shares.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—A few Unions have been done at \$107 1/2, at which rate the market closes quiet, but steady. China Traders changed hands at \$73 1/2 and \$74, and at the latter rate the market is firm. North China are on offer at \$125. A lot of 100 shares has been put in the market at the reduced rate of \$120. Canton remains on offer at \$120 while Straits Insurance are in demand at \$124.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong have improved further, and up to \$188 has been paid for shares; at the close the market is weak with sellers at \$287 1/2, and a slightly lower offer would be accepted. Chinas have been in demand to cover short sales, and up to \$91 1/2 has paid the rate has dropped to \$90 again, but at the close the falling rate of exchange on Shanghai has brought out buyers from that port and \$91 is offered for shares.

SHIPPING.—A fair amount of business has been done in Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat shares at \$37, \$47 1/2, and \$37 1/2, at which latter rate the market closes steady, although an improvement is expected after the Chinese New Year. In fact, a few shares could be placed at \$38 for 31st March. Indo-China have been done at \$74 to \$75 1/2 cash, and at \$64 for end of May next. There are cash buyers now at \$58, with a few sellers at a slightly higher rate, while time shares are on the market without finding buyers. Chios and Manilla sold again at \$70 and close with probable buyers. Douglases sold at \$51 and are fairly steady at that figure. China Mutual unchanged.

REVENUE.—China Square were purchased at \$115 for 31st instant with facilities, but the market has since dropped to \$112 sellers. Shanghai people offer shares rather freely. Luxons changed hands at \$59 and could possibly be placed at that rate.

MINING STOCKS quiet. The December crashings of the Panjion Company resulted in 431 ounces of gold from 1,000 tons of ore, mill run 29 days, which may be taken as a good average crushing; shares have changed hands at \$5 for ordinary, and \$1 1/2 to \$1 1/2 for preference shares, closing with a few sellers of ordinary shares, and further buyers of preference shares. Charbonnages unchanged. New Balmorals have come into demand again and shares are wanted at \$1 1/2. Febus changed hands at \$1 1/2 and more shares are wanted. Raebis have been done at \$1 1/2 and \$2 1/2 per share. The prospectus of the "Oliviers Freehold Mines, Limited," has been issued. The General Managers are to be Messrs. John D. Humphreys & Son, and the capital is divided into 15,000 A or vendor's shares, and 45,000 B or ordinary shares of \$5 each, total capital \$300,000. Of the A shares 10,000 shares fully paid have been allotted to the "Oliviers Freehold Syndicate" in full satisfaction of the

purchase money for that property, while 5,000 fully paid A shares will be handed over to the New Balmoral Company as part payment for the "Eureka Mines," \$25,000 to be paid to that Company in cash as the balance of purchase money. So far (as per prospectus) 1,750 A shares and 5,000 B shares have been allotted, and 1,250 A shares and 25,000 B shares are now offered for subscription, the list closing on the 16th instant. On the A shares \$1 is to be paid on application and the balance of \$1 on allotment, while on the B shares \$1 is payable on application, \$1 on allotment, and the balance at call in instalment; two months' notice to be given in respect of each instalment called up.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's shares have changed hands at 150 and 140 per cent. premium, also on time up to 31st July at privatisation said to be on the basis of 140 per cent. premium, and 140 per cent. premium, although another good job has turned up for the Company in H.G.M. ship *Kater*, which struck on a rock in Amoy harbour, and has gone into dock here for repairs. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's shares changed hands at \$49 and \$48 1/2 cash, and a few are offered at the latter rate. Wanchals no business. New Amoy Docks have been done again at \$11 1/2 divided of 10 per cent. for 1895 is likely to be declared.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company's shares have been done at \$63 1/2 and \$70, and close steady at the latter rate; this Company will pay the usual final dividend of \$2 per share, and carry forward about \$46,000 to new account. This is about \$12,000 more than the previous year. The meeting will take place on the 23rd instant, and transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 23rd instant. Kowloon Land and Building Company's shares have found buyers at \$16. West Point unchanged. Hongkong Hotels are weak at \$19, and Humphreys Estate and Finance Company's shares remain steady at \$9.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Islands unchanged. A.S. Watson & Co.'s shares found buyers at \$12 and a few more are on offer. Hongkong Electric sold at \$6 1/2 and continue in demand. Geo. Fenwick's are wanted at \$20. Ices have improved further, and after cash sales at \$99 and \$105 has been paid for 31st March. Hongkong High Level Tramway Company's shares are offering at \$90; the annual meeting is advertised for the 20th instant, transfer books closing from the 14th to the 22nd instant. Hongkong Brick and Cement Company's shares sold at \$7 1/2, but more are on offer. Dairy farms are offering at \$9.

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